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1. On 23 November 1950, 21 very young soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed marching into the barracks installation on Lindenstrasse, Perleberg (M 54/T 70). Two days later, 60 young soldiers, also with red-bordered black epaulets, were seen arriving at the installation from the drill field.

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3. From 14 November to 7 December, small units were observed daily practicing at the drill field along Wittenberger Chaussee. The troops were primarily engaged in entrenching work and obstacle construction.
4. Between 20 November and 2 December, the Artillerie Kaserne in Perleberg was occupied by 1,000 to 1,500 troops, mostly recruits who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Eighty percent of the windows of the installation were lighted in the evening. Up to 200 recruits were observed undergoing basic training on the drill field of the installation.

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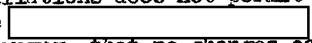
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5. Troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were still quartered at the airfield. Their number could not be determined. The airfield headquarters building, a former manor house, was fully lighted at dusk on 28 November. The windows of the other airfield quarters were about 40 percent lighted.

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*  Comment. The last information, dated mid-November, on the occupation of the same installations does not permit a comparison with the present report. See  It is definitely believed, however, that no changes occurred during the intervening period. The training of the troops in Perleberg is apparently the same as that observed at other military posts in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

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